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DISPENSARY RESOLUTIONS.

What Legislation is Necessary to Repeal the Control of Alcoholic Liquors to South Carolina.

Last Tuesday Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, secured the adoption of the following resolutions in the United States Senate:

"Whereas, the Supreme Court of the United States declared in the case of Leisy vs. Hardin, that no State had the right to prohibit the sale of liquors within its own borders in original packages, upon the ground that it was an interference with inter-State commerce, and,

"Whereas, in order to give relief to the people of Iowa, Congress passed what is known as the Wilson law (Wilson law is then quoted), and

"Whereas, Under the authority therein granted, the State of South Carolina, in December, 1892, passed the dispensary law, under which provision is made for the sale of liquors by State officers under strict restrictions and rules; and,

"Whereas, Under this system the experience has shown that the cause of temperance has been advanced and the good order and quiet of the State have been promoted, there being now less than 100 dispensaries in place of upwards of 800 barrooms in 1892, and

"Whereas, a circuit judge of the United States court, by judicial legislation in a recent decision, has repealed the act of Congress above recited, as far as South Carolina is concerned, thus reducing the State to re-opening the bar rooms or allowing the free and unlimited sale of liquor in original packages; therefore be it

"Resolved, that the judiciary committee of the Senate be instructed to consider what legislation is necessary, if any, to restore the control of alcohol, or liquors within its own borders in its own way in common with other States of this Union."

Mr. Tillman spoke briefly in support of the resolution, saying the public impression that the dispensary law was a money-making device was erroneous, and that it had accomplished much good in regulating the liquor traffic.

Mr. Faulkner, of West Virginia, felt that the Senate should not be committed to the lengthy preamble reciting the effect of the law, etc.

Mr. Tillman modified the preamble so as to avoid the term "judicial legislation" in characterizing the recent decision, and substituting "the judicial interpretation."

Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, chairman of the judiciary committee, proposed a substitute omitting all the preamble, and simply directing the judiciary committee to consider and report, by bill or otherwise, what legislation, if any, is necessary to carry out the statute of 1890 relating to commerce between the States.

Mr. Tillman accepted the substitute and it was agreed to.

Foundation for a Romance.

About the time John Bull was getting his final lesson from Uncle Sam, in 1812, a letter was written by a repentant Pennsylvania father to the discarded son, who never received it. The romance-freighted document has just been discovered at Lenni, Delaware County, Miss. Catherine Mahon, daughter of an old resident of that town, was looking over some old family papers and came across a package of letters that had belonged to her grandmother. Among the collection was a sealed envelope, yellow with age, which bore the superscription: "For my son, Hiram, should he ever return." This was signed "Thaddeus Mahon." Miss Mahon showed the letter to her father, who remembered having heard his father speak of a brother who had left home suddenly and had never returned. It was decided to break the big red seal with which the envelope was fastened, and within it was found the following pathetic letter, addressed to "My son Hiram," and dated July 13, 1812:

"Since you have left I see my mistake. I pray that you may come back in time to forgive me. Thank God your mother is not living to know that I cast her son off. Willingly would I give my consent to your marriage with Nell, for I now see that she is a good woman. Forgive your father, who has broken his heart through his headstrong ways. God bless you."

This was signed "Thaddeus Mahon," but there was nothing to throw any light on the old-time romance that ended so unhappily. No one in Lenni knows who "Nell" was or what became of her, and it can only be conjectured that her lover went to the war under an assumed name and was killed in one of the naval engagements from which this country won glory and money from England.

SIMONTON ON DISPENSARY.

State Cannot Supply Liquors as a Beverage to Increase Revenue.

A FLATFOOTED DECISION.

Federal Court Judge Holds That the South Carolina Measure in Conflict With Inter-State Commerce Laws.

In the United States Circuit Court, at Charleston, South Carolina, Judge Simonton handed down his decision in what is widely known as the Vandercook case, a case which involved the validity of many provisions of the South Carolina dispensary law. The decision created a sensation when it was learned that the court had declared certain provisions of the law in conflict with the inter-State commerce regulations of Congress, and that consequently it might result in the total downfall of the South Carolina monopoly of the whiskey business within her borders.

In a syllabus prefixed to the full text of the decision, Judge Simonton says: "Any State may in the exercise of the police power, declare that the manufacture, sale, barter and exchange, or the use as a beverage of alcoholic liquors, are public evils, and having thus declared, can forbid such manufacture, sale, barter and exchange, or use, within her territory. But when a State recognizes and approves the manufacture, sale, barter and exchange, and the use as a beverage of alcoholic liquors, and the State itself encourages the manufacture, engages in the sale of and provides for the consumption of alcoholic liquors as a beverage, and so precludes the idea that such manufacture, sale, barter, exchange or use are injurious to the public welfare, it is not a lawful exercise of the police power to forbid the importation of such liquors, or their sale in original packages, for personal use and consumption.

"Such prohibition under such circumstances is in conflict with the laws of inter-State and foreign commerce.

"The dispensary act of 1896 as amended by the act of 1897, inasmuch as they approve the purchase and manufacture of alcoholic liquors for the State and provide for the sale of such alcoholic liquors as a beverage, in aid of the finances of the State, in so far as they forbid the importation of alcoholic liquors in original packages for such use in this State, are in conflict with laws of inter-State and foreign commerce, and are, therefore, to that extent void."

The court then goes into a lengthy discussion of the facts and the law of the case. Judge Simonton's summary of the facts before him is as follows: "This is a bill in equity. The bill alleges that the complainant is the owner of vineyards in the State of California and that it manufactures from grapes of such vineyards, well known pure wines, brandies and other liquors, particularly ciders, Rhine wine, Burgundies and champagne. That by its traveling agent the complainant took orders from certain citizens of the State of South Carolina, to deliver to each of them certain original packages, products of its vineyards, filled said orders and shipped from San Francisco in California to Charleston, S. C., by rail, a carload of its products containing 73 separate original packages for each of its said customers, all marked with its name and address in California, adopting this mode of shipping by carload in order to obtain a large reduction in freight. That the goods so shipped arrived in Charleston, passing through the hands of several common carriers in continuous route; and thereupon were seized without warrant by Defendants Baher and Scott and sixty of the packages were shipped by said constables to Columbia to John F. Gaston, then the State Commissioner and got into his hands and then the hands of his successor, S. W. Vance, with full notice of the unlawful seizure, and that Vance, notwithstanding, refused to deliver them to complainant or its agent, after repeated demands, and threatens to convert and sell the same to citizens of South Carolina. That these same constables and others, claiming like authority, threaten to seize in like manner, all wines shipped by complainant into this State wherever found, and for

whatever purpose shipped, arriving in said city of Charleston, and in like manner to ship and deliver the same to said S. W. Vance, who likewise threatens to convert the same to the great damage of complainant, and the obstruction and destruction of the lawful business and inter-State commerce and trade in its wines, etc., with citizens and residents of South Carolina. The bill further alleges arrival of the same in South Carolina, and the wrongful seizure of the same by State constables. That other orders have been obtained from other residents of South Carolina for separate original packages, and that upon such orders complainant purposes to ship such packages to South Carolina in due course of inter-State commerce. And that in the future it intends to seek similar orders and to ship thereupon similar original packages into the State of South Carolina. The bill further alleges that it intends in the course of its business, further and in addition to such shipments or orders by customers in advance, to ship also from San Francisco, Cal., to its agent in the State of South Carolina and to the store and warehouse in South Carolina, and to sell in the State of South Carolina in the original packages as imported as aforesaid, to residents in South Carolina, its wines and

liquors, products of its vineyards, in the due and lawful exercise of its rights under the constitution and laws of the United States. And that the defendants threaten to seize, take and carry away, convert and sell all such shipments. The bill then charges that by the dispensary act of 1897, under which the defendants seek to justify their action, all wines, beers, ales, alcoholic and other intoxicating liquors are the subjects of lawful manufacture, barter, sale, export and import, in the State of South Carolina, have been and are being used and will continue to be law-

fully used and consumed as a beverage by citizens and residents of the State of South Carolina. And that the products of the vineyards are lawful subjects of inter-State and foreign trade and commerce. The bill then charges that the said dispensary law, in so far as it authorizes the acts of the defendants, or in any way attempts to abridge the right of importation of the products of complainant's vineyards, into this State and there to seal in original packages, or in any wise hinders and prevents its intercourse, commerce and trade with citizens and residents of South Carolina in the products of its vineyards in such original packages, is in conflict with the constitution of the United States and is null and void. The bill then alleges for the acts sustaining the jurisdiction of the United States Supreme Court, and prays for a temporary, to be followed by a permanent injunction."

He then reviews at great length the laws of the case and concludes his decision as follows: "It is manifest, therefore, that the same conclusion must be reached with regard to the dispensary of 1897, which was reached by the Supreme Court of the United States, as to the act of 1895, that it is not within the scope and operation of the Wilson act. This being the case, the law laid down in Leisy vs. Hardin, controls the importation and sale of spirituous liquors in original packages must fail.

"The decision of the Supreme Court of the United States must control all Circuit Courts. By this decision it is clear that so long as the State herself engages in the business of importing and selling alcoholic liquors, for the purpose of profit. So long as she recognizes that the use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage, is lawful and can be encouraged. So long as she seeks a monopoly in supplying these liquors for that use, and in this way looks to an increase of revenue, she cannot, under her constitutional obligations to the other States of the Union, forbid, control, hinder and burden commerce in such articles between her citizens."

DECISION TO BE TESTED.

Gov. Ellerbe, of South Carolina, Outlines His Procedure.

CONSTABLES TO BE RETAINED.

Will Watch Original Packages—Pint Bottles Cannot Be Sold as Such. Much to Be Done.

Last Thursday, Gov. Ellerbe, of South Carolina, defined the course he will pursue in enforcing the dispensary law. He said he had decided to keep the constables on duty, as by his construction of the "original package" ruling there was much for them to do.

"We are not going," he said, "to seize anything shipped into the State for personal use or anything sold by people of other States in original packages. I understand by 'original package' that a man, cannot, for instance get a dozen pint packages in one case and sell those pints separately, but must sell the whole unbroken case. The constables will have to watch those receiving boxes of bottled liquor or liquor put up in other shape, and if anything less than the whole will be confiscated.

"As I understand it, the citizens of this State will not be permitted to sell in original packages or in any other way. I think, however, citizens of this State can properly act of agents for non-residents.

"Of course, the friends of the dispensary will not be satisfied with anything short of an appeal to the court of last resort."

There will speedily be a test of the correctness of the construction placed on the Simonton decision by Governor Ellerbe.

Dozens of men are preparing to sell liquor in packages as well as half pints, importing them in cases and barrels, and also to sell beer by the bottler. According to the position taken by the Governor, they can only deal in wholesale quantities. This would be no advantage to purchasers, as they can themselves order such packages for "personal use," have them shipped direct and save profits of the middleman.

Court of Inquiry to be Called.

The faculty of the South Carolina College have investigated the facts connected with the disturbance on the college ball field, in Columbia, and as a result has reported the conduct of Adjutant-General Watts to the Governor, as commander-in-chief, for his action. Governor Ellerbe, upon receipt of the full report, acting under the State law, has declared that he would order a court of inquiry to investigate the affairs. Judge Advocate General Mayfield will be the chairman of the court.

Tillman's New Bill.

Senator Tillman, from the committee on inter-State commerce, has introduced a bill giving States the same control of liquor imported into a State which they exercise over liquors of domestic manufacture. The bill is intended to in part meet the objections to the State dispensary law, pointed out in the recent decision of Judge Simonton.

WILL IT PASS?

Free Silver and Election of Senators by the People.

Senator Pettigrew has introduced a bill to provide for the submission to a popular vote, at the congressional election of 1898, the following questions: "Shall Congress at once enact a law providing for the immediate free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1?" "Shall the constitution of the United States be so amended so as to provide for the election of United States Senators and of the President and Vice President by the direct vote of the people?" It is made the duty of the Secretary of each State to forward the result to the President, who is requested to transmit the statement to Congress.



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In Williamstown reside two young men of a scientific turn of mind. They have been discussing whether a man weighs more after eating than before, and have decided that eating adds nothing to the weight, while drinking makes itself known in avoirdupois. Monday they weighed themselves just before going to dinner. Mr. Porter weighed 191 pounds, and Mr. Wheeler 165. They also weighed what they ate for dinner, and the experiment showed that the smaller man was the better feeder, for with three and a half pounds of eatables, while his companion's capacity was only two pounds. The men weighed themselves again directly after dinner, and both declare that their weight was not increased at all.—Boston Evening Transcript.

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